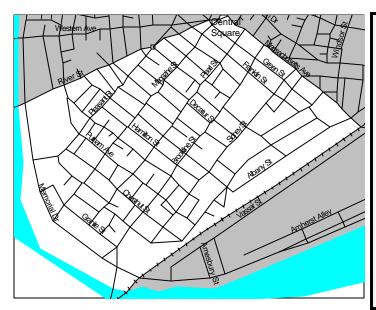
NEIGHBORHOOD 5 CAMBRIDGEPORT





BOUNDARIES: bordered by Massachusetts Avenue, the B&A railroad, the Charles River, and River Street

POPULATION: 9,100 residents

4,203 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

\$28,466

Neighborhood #5 is encompassed by the patrol boundaries of Car 3 (2 officers) and Car 4R (1 officer). Also included are walking routes 5A and 5B, as well as parts of walking route 12X (Central Square).

2002 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW

The major target crime story to emerge in Cambridgeport during the first quarter of 2002 was the dramatic increase of twenty additional housebreaks when compared with to first three months of last year. In January, a series of late afternoon attempted breaks between 3PM and 6PM emerged in the 100 blocks of Magazine, Pearl and Brookline Streets. However, five of these breaks were thwarted by resident's safety precautions through window stops and chain locks. The suspects, two Hispanic males driving a blue station wagon, were targeting cash, electronic equipment and laptops in this series of incidents. Former roommates or known acquaintances were possible suspects in 25% of the housebreaks in Neighborhood #5. The only arrest for Burglary in this area was in January. A homeless man was arrested for breaking into an apartment under renovation. • Street Robberies (-80%) nose-dived in this area when compared with the first three months of 2001. The only robbery reported in Cambridgeport in the first quarter of the year occurred on Sunday afternoon in mid-January. A woman, walking alone on Kelly Road, was accosted from behind and a male juvenile stole her purse. • Both **drug arrests** in Neighborhood #5 were the result of officers making apprehensions and the offenders in possession of crack cocaine and marijuana. • Malicious destruction (+38%) continues to be a serious problem in Cambridgeport. Long standing trends include: scratching of vehicles on Kelly and Chalk, and the smashing of car windows on upper Magazine and Brookline Streets.

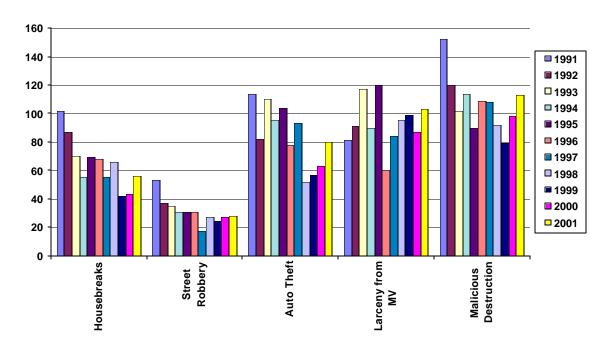
COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS FIRST QUARTER 2001 & 2002						
CRIME	1st Q 2001	1st Q 2002	% CHANGE			
Housebreaks	6	26	+333%			
Street Robbery	5	1	-80%			
Auto Theft	14	16	+14%			
Larceny from MVs	25	16	-36%			

Malicious Destruction	26	36	+38%
Drug Arrests	2	2	N.C.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Cambridgeport has the fifth highest residential population of the city's neighborhoods. It is characterized by several large apartment buildings as well as many one, two, and three family houses. The neighborhood is bordered by a string of retail stores, hotels, and restaurants on Memorial Drive, River Street, and Massachusetts Avenue.

- **Street robberies** have long been the most serious crime problem in Cambridgeport. As with Area 4, Cambridgeport's street robberies tend to concentrate near Massachusetts Avenue and Central Square. They are often predatory, and are usually committed after 9:00 at night on weekends.
- **Housebreaks**, usually higher than average in Cambridgeport, have declined significantly since the 1980s. The average number of housebreaks since 1991 is half of the 1980s average. And they have declined another 30 percent since 1991. Cambridgeport's housebreak rate can be attributed to its large, densely packed residential population.
- Cambridgeport has continually experienced the highest rate of **auto theft** since the 1980s. The 1999 Camry Auto Theft pattern helped to displace Cambridgeport's number one ranking by setting East Cambridge and Area 4 as the top two.
- **Larceny from motor vehicles** usually registers high in Cambridgeport.
- The homeless shelter on Albany Street is often a scene for **street robbery** and **aggravated assault** between its patrons.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR CAMBRIDGEPORT AREA TARGET CRIMES							
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2001*		
Housebreaks	156	2	67	2	5		
Street Robbery	57	2	33	2	1		
Auto Theft	165	1	85	1	1		
Larceny from MVs	126	4	94	3	2		
Malicious Destruction	106	6	110	3	2		

^{*}Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest